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## STATEMENT OF STATUS AS SMALL ENTITY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.27, Applicants in the above-identified application hereby request status as a small entity for purposes of paying fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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